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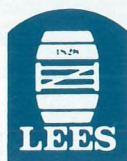
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ATARI WINNER ON SPOT-THE-BALL



Well here is the result you have all been waiting for, the winner of our Spot-The-Ball competition which was run over the Leeds, Derby and Barnsley games.

There were many entrants who thought the ball was above the Ford Stand but the person who indicated the exact centre of the ball was Mrs Newton of 72 Pennine Drive, Milnrow, Rochdale. Mrs Newton is a season ticket holder in the Chaddy End and has been a regular supporter for over 20 years. She is seen receiving her prize — an Atari video computer system — from club captain Paul Futchter before our FA Cup game against Fulham. Mrs Newton was accompanied by her son Antony who was highly delighted that he had the chance to speak to Paul.



Mr Graham Clark, managing director of Atari, the home video and computer games company who are sponsoring the Football League's Soccer Six tournament, is eagerly awaiting the event, which is to be played at the Birmingham International Arena, National Exhibition Centre, on January 25 and 26.

Said Mr Clark, after listening to Alan Curbishley, who captained Birmingham City to success at the inaugural Soccer Six tournament last May: "If ever I had any doubts about this new form of football, which I didn't, Alan has convinced me that we have a thrilling and exciting event in front of us".

Says Curbishley, England Under 23 star: "I'm delighted that the League are running it again. We were all very impressed with the tournament last time, and I believe we could see the formation of a national league eventually. "Certainly, it is a terrific game to play in. Most of the skills you are required to use when playing the outdoor game you have to repeat when playing Soccer Six, only you seem to have to do them twice as quickly. And if you can't pass accurately, you're dead. When you look at the calibre of the teams assembled by The Football League, there should be some magnificent football played".

This is the line-up for the Atari Soccer Six:

Group One

Everton, Arsenal, Nottingham Forest and Southampton.

Group Two

Swansea City, Birmingham City, Ipswich Town and Manchester City.

The Atari tournament will be played on a League basis in the group stages with three points being awarded to each team for a win, one point for a draw, and an extra point for each goal scored. The top two teams in each group will contest the knock out semi-finals.

There will be eight group matches on the Tuesday night:

Everton	v	Arsenal
Swansea	v	Birmingham
Nottingham Forest	v	Southampton
Ipswich	v	Manchester City
Everton	v	Nottingham Forest
Swansea	v	Ipswich
Arsenal	v	Southampton
Birmingham City	v	Manchester City

Finals night, on January 26, resumes with the remaining group matches:

Everton	v	Southampton
Swansea	v	Manchester City
Arsenal	v	Nottingham Forest
Birmingham	v	Ipswich

The winners of Group One will meet the runners-up of Group Two in the first semi-final. The other will be between the winners of Group Two and the runners-up of Group One.

The clubs will be playing for £25,000 in prize-money, and, as a big inducement to make it a family occasion, there will be plenty of opportunities to play the Atari games free. Tickets are already available from the National Exhibition Centre, 021 780 4141.

NEWS DESK

EXECUTIVE TRAVEL

Two executive coach trips are planned for the games at Newcastle on February 19th and Wolves on March 26th.

The game at Newcastle is sure to be an interesting affair and one not to miss. So why not treat yourself and travel to the game in style on our executive coach which has the following facilities — toilet, bar, tables, TV and video. You will travel straight to a first class hotel in Newcastle where you will enjoy a relaxed lunch and afterwards have a drink in the hotel bar before making your way to the match. We have not included a seat ticket in the price as some supporters prefer to stand, but if you require one then we can arrange that for you. Obviously we need to fill the coach (36 seats) to cover the cost — there is no way we can run a trip like this at a loss, so we would appreciate your early booking, in any case before the 12th February. The departure time is 10am.

The trip to Wolves will cost £11 and will depart at 11am on the 26th March.

Please book early at the Souvenir Shop and let's hope we can run full coaches to both games.

ANOTHER NEW FAN

Manager Joe Royle has said all along that the team will endeavour to play attractive football at all times, and that is what we have seen so far this season. We have won many friends by giving them value for money and the latest recruit is Mr J. McCready of Surrey who wrote to Joe after watching the Leeds and Derby games. His letter is reproduced here:-

65, Cleeve Road,
Leatherhead,
Surrey.
January 3rd 1983.

Dear Sir,

I'm just writing to thank you and your team for the entertaining matches that I was privileged to see while I was visiting my wife's family over Christmas and the New Year.

I haven't been to a professional football match for well over 10 years, and I really enjoyed the two that I saw at Oldham (Leeds on 26th Dec. and Derby on 1st Jan.). Although they both ended in a 2-2 draw I think Oldham should have won them.

You lost on two unfortunate refereeing decisions. One was the free kick given to Leeds from which they made their goal. The other was the penalty awarded against you. That was a harsh decision.

You've really got an entertaining team at Oldham. I really must praise your No. 3, John Ryan, I don't think he ever put a foot wrong. So solid in defence, and sure of what he wants (and gets) in midfield and attack. Heaton, Bowden and Wyld must also have a mention they were all great to watch.

I will try to see more of Oldham on other visits to my relatives. I really did enjoy it.

May I wish you, your team and everybody at Boundary Park all the best for '83 and the rest of the season.

Yours sincerely
J. McCready

KIRSCH JEWELLERS COMPETITION WINNER

The winner of a £20 voucher to spend at Kirsch Jewellers in the Mall, Union St., Oldham is S. Chesworth of 28, Longfield Rd, Shaw.

There were many entries that had the correct answers which were:-

1. Which manager over the past ten seasons has most often led our team at Wembley before the F.A. Cup Final — Terry Neill, Arsenal, 3 times.
2. Who scored with the last kick of the match at Wembley to take the 1981 Football League Cup Final to a replay at Villa Park — Ray Stewart, West Ham.
3. Who were the first 3 players signed by John Bond in October 1980 after he replaced Malcolm Allison as Manchester City's manager — Tommy Hutchinson, Gerry Gow and Bobby McDond.
4. Who returned to First Division Football at the Dell after a spell as player manager of a Third Division club — Alan Ball.

The first question proved to be a little tricky for some who said Keith Burkinshaw of Tottenham had led out his team on 4 occasions, this is perfectly true but two of those occasions were replays which count as the same final.

Watch out for the next super competition organised by Kirsch Jewellers in this programme shortly.

PROGRAMME FAIR

We have been asked to mention that the seventh annual Rochdale Programme Fair is to be held on Sunday February 6th in the Social Club, Rochdale AFC, Spottland. It opens at 11am and closes at

2.30pm. Pie and peas and bar facilities available. Don't forget that Jim Kirton in the Programme Market has 1,000's of programmes on sale. It is situated at the Rochdale Rd End of the ground and is open Monday, Thursday and Friday 10.30am - 4.30pm as well as on match days. So why not pay Jim a visit you will be surprised at the amount of programmes he has and Jim will be delighted to see you.

PAUL AND THE WATCH

No doubt you know that Paul Fletcher won the Kirsch Jewellers Player of the Month award for December. Here he is seen receiving his Seiko watch from Eric Kirsch.



RE-ARRANGED GAME

Rotherham v Athletic
Saturday 29th January, 1983
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Junior Latics club

The next meeting for Junior Latics members will be held on Thursday 27th January, 1983 at 6.30 pm in the Boundary Club. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Steve Wanless, Physiotherapist who will give a talk about his duties at the Club. It is hoped that Manager Joe Royle and some of the Players will also be there.

There will be a quiz with prizes for the winners and the draw will be made for the Match Mascots for the games against Middlesbrough, Crystal Palace, Burnley and Fulham.

Parents as always are welcome and we look forward to seeing you all on the night.

MATCH MASCOT

Today's match mascot is 13 year old Christopher Kynaston of 24 Church Street East, Waterhead, Oldham. Enjoy your day Chris, and have a great time.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Cards signed by Latics Manager Joe Royle will be sent to the following members who celebrate their birthdays shortly. In fact Peter Saville and John Greenwood celebrate their birthdays today. Happy Birthday Peter and John let's hope we can win for you. The other members are David Heap (Jan 23rd) Martin Metcalf (Jan 24th) Philip Hibbert (Jan 26th) Peter Gaskell (Jan 26th) Robert Wood (Jan 31st) Mark Abbott (Feb 4th) Scott Moorhouse (Feb 5th) Scott Burnside (Feb 8th) Matthew Scholes (Feb 7th) Jamie Adams (Feb 9th) Alan Davies (Feb 9th).



Our photo shows 10 year old Michael Yarwood Mascot for the Fulham game on January 8th with his favourite player Paul Atkinson.

JOE ROYLE



Welcome to John McGovern's Bolton side, who, after a shaky start are now clawing their way up the division.

Our own momentum was badly shaken over the holiday period with successive draws and a cup defeat at the hands of Fulham. I've noticed that one or two vultures have been gathering, saying that the flash in the pan is over and a repeat of last year's fall-off is imminent. They're wrong! The players and myself have talked at length and there will be no repetition. We have still only lost four League games, and a run of three or four wins will make the draws much more respectable.

Much has been said about our sendings off and bookings and it was good to report a 'clean-bill' once again after the Shrewsbury game, a game that was ruined as a spectacle by a high wind and the Shrewsbury pitch which was a 'meadow' as its name implies. I was satisfied that what little football played was played by ourselves and I couldn't fault the total effort of the players, as I had done in our Cup defeat.

We now miss the services of John Ryan and John Bowden for two games, and a couple of injuries in the wrong positions could stretch our squad to the hilt. We have a number of promising youngsters on the books, and one of them, John Hudson made his first appearance as substitute last week. He didn't get on, but if he keeps up the good work, he will soon, as so will any other youngster who proves himself worthy of the chance. I have always believed that if you're good enough, you're old enough.

After today's game we have successive away games at Rotherham and Q.P.R. Our away support this season has always been in evidence with the volume of their support and I spoke to some of our fans after last week's game at Shrewsbury who were equally puzzled as to why we sometimes make more noise away from home than we do at Boundary Park. During the Barnsley game the atmosphere was electric and when the team was down to 10 men the crowd raised us, but I was surprised to find that when we were reduced to 10 men against Fulham, the vocal response was not the same. So please get behind the boys in today's local derby as your 'noise' is very much appreciated.

Thanks again.



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BOLTON PULL TO SAFETY

Bolton's 3-0 win over Burnley at Burnden Park last Saturday was their 5th league game without defeat and after looking relegation material for most of the opening half of the season, the Wanderers are now confident that they have pulled themselves into a position of safety.

For **John McGovern**, the former Nottingham Forest skipper, the first few months as player/manager were most worrying. Bolton won only twice in their opening 15 league games and the future looked grim. Mr. McGovern dropped himself from the team to enable him to assess the sides capabilities in a more detached way and he now seems to have found a settled and successful line-up — even though he has not been part of it himself for the past few weeks.

investment paid quick dividends when he scored 13 goals. He was first introduced to the city team in 1976/77 and he made more than 70 First Division appearances.

Hoggan is a Bolton discovery and got his first chance in their league side in 1979/80 and has been in the senior squad for most of the time.

Thompson who leads Bolton's scoring list with 14 goals last season was introduced to the side 3 seasons back and won a regular place last term.

Ian Moores, a mid-field player or forward who was signed from Orient last summer has not been in the side in recent weeks, apart from the odd spot as substitute. Ian won 2 England under-23 caps in his Stoke City days and Tottenham Hotspur invested £80,000 in

Steve Whitworth is Bolton's left back with the long serving **Paul Jones** filling one of the central defence positions.

Whitworth, signed from Sunderland for £25,000 last season, won 7 England caps in his Leicester days. After playing more than 300 league games for Leicester he was transferred to Sunderland for £150,000 in 1979.

Jones has been a fixture in the Bolton side since his debut in 1971 and he completed 400 league appearances last season. He was poised to leave the club this summer but after a projected transfer to Crystal Palace fell through he re-signed for the Trotters.

Jim McDonagh is the goalkeeper.

Bolton have not won away from home since their 2-0 success at Blackpool last April. Since then they have played 18 away games without a win. This season, in the league, they have drawn at Burnley (0-0), Derby (0-0), Blackburn (1-1), Cambridge (0-0), Leeds (1-1), Newcastle (2-2).

They have lost at Sheffield Wednesday (1-3), Fulham (0-4), Grimsby (0-1), Middlesbrough (0-1), Q.P.R. (0-1) and Chelsea (1-2).

In the Milk Cup they drew at Carlisle (3-3) and lost at Watford (1-2).

Their F.A. Cup hopes dissolved when they lost narrowly at Arsenal (1-2) a fortnight ago.

Bolton Wanderers

The re-signing of former favourite **Neil Whatmore** — he is currently on loan from Birmingham — was a shrewd move and Neil has been playing well along side **Wayne Foster** in attack.

Whatmore made his league debut for Bolton in 1973 and was on 3 occasions their leading scorer before moving to Birmingham for £340,000 in 1981. Neil lost his place in the Blues side towards the end of last season and, before returning to Bolton he enjoyed a successful loan spell with Oxford United this season.

Foster quickly earned a regular place after being given his debut last season although he was not in Mr. McGovern's squad during the early weeks of this term, Wayne was recalled in October and has since been holding his place.

The mid-field has been settling down with **Jeff Chandler**, **Tony Henry**, **David Hoggan** and **Chris Thompson** settling themselves in. Chandler is a skilful winger who began his league career with Blackpool in 1977/78, he was transferred to Leeds in 1979 and Bolton secured his signature for £40,000 last season.

Bolton paid £125,000 for **Tony Henry** from Manchester City last season but the

his transfer in 1976. He did not have the best of luck at White Hart Lane though, so he was happy to move to Orient for another £80,000 deal in 1978. He was Orient's top scorer in his first season but later switched to a mid-field role.

Ray Deakin has proved a most versatile player during a difficult period when injuries hit the defence and he has appeared at centre back and left back whilst **Mike Doyle** and **Mick Bennett** have been out through injury. Deakin served his apprenticeship with Everton and he remained at Goodison Park until 1981 although he did not get a game in their First Division side.

He spent last season with Port Vale and moved to Bolton during the close season. Doyle is a former Manchester City player, he made some 500 first team appearances for City and won 5 England caps. Stoke City invested £50,000 in his transfer in 1978 and he moved on to Bolton shortly before last season's transfer dead-line.

Bennett is a local lad who made his bow in league football 3 seasons ago. He made only 14 league appearances prior to last season when he held the left back spot for much of the term.



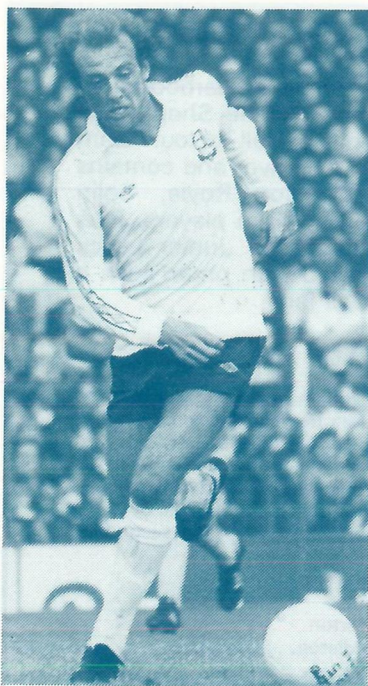
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NEIL WHATMORE

Star Visitor

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Jim McDonagh is now acknowledged as possibly the best goalkeeper in the Second Division and has the unusual distinction of having played international football for 2 countries!

During his early days as a Rotherham player he was selected in the England Youth Team and now he is a fixture at full international level for the Republic of Ireland.

Rotherham blooded Jim in league football in 1971 and in 1972/73 he joined Manchester United on loan. He did not get into their first team but, upon his return to Millmoor he took over as Rotherham's number one choice.

Bolton signed him for a mere £10,000 in 1976 and he made an immediate hit at Burnden Park in fact, in 4 seasons he hasn't missed a game chalking up 161 consecutive league appearances.

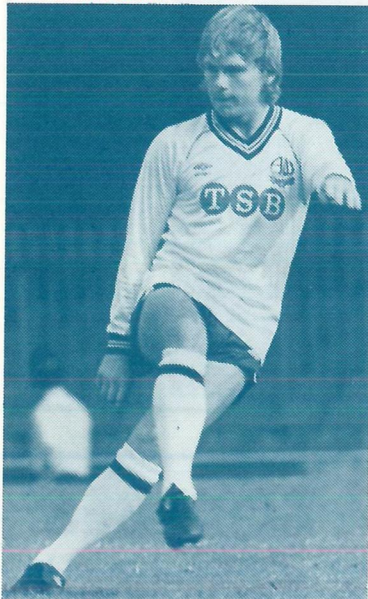
It was during 1980 closed season that Everton signed him for £250,000 and soon after established himself in their First Division side, he was invited to play for the Republic of Ireland. Realising that his chances of ever playing for England were slim, Jim opted for Ireland and he made his full international bow against Wales in February, 1981.

Since then he has been in the Irish goal on all but rare occasions and he won his 11th cap in the 3-3 draw with Spain in the European Championships in November.

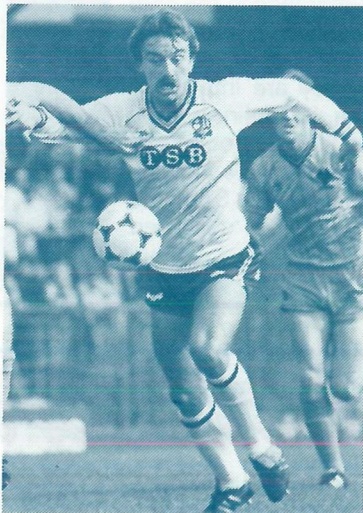
Jim spent just one season with Everton because Bolton wanted him back!

It was in August, 1981, that he re-signed for the Wanderers in an exchange deal that included Mike Walsh going to Goodison Park.

One of Jim's greatest assets has been his consistency it is exceedingly rare for him to miss a game at any level and the incentive of winning more international caps has kept him at peak level even though Bolton have been struggling in the lower reaches of the Second Division.



JEFF CHANDLER

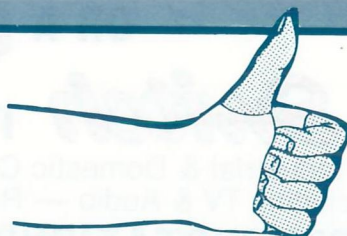


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CLUB YEARBOOK

Oldham Athletic's Yearbook is on sale in the Souvenir Shop, price 50p. It has a full colour team photo on the cover and contains profiles on Joe Royle, Colin McDonald and the players. Plus an article on the Junior Latics Club. Packed with photo's it's a must for all fans.



CHRISTMAS LOTTERY WINNER

Mrs J. Bowers of 117 Swift Rd, Sholver, Oldham won the first prize of £1,000 in our special Christmas Lottery. Mrs Bowers was too shy to come and collect her cheque believe it or not, so it was left to her agent Dennis Graham of the Dog & Partridge, Roundthorn Road, Oldham, to collect it for her. Here Dennis is seen trying to prise the cheque out of the Athletic Chairman's grasp. No actually Mr Stott was delighted to present Dennis with two cheques — the second being his bonus of £100 for selling the winning ticket.

Other winners in the Christmas Lottery were:-
£100 — Mr J. Turner. 4 Villa Rd., Oldham.
£25 — Mrs Ford, 51, Granville St., Chadderton.
£10 — S. Jutzet, 128 Hereford Way, Middleton.

ANOTHER PENNY'S WORTH

Since Penny's first appearance in the club programme we have been inundated with requests for more pictures of her. (It's the sweatshirt and briefs they are interested in really) so here she is again with a reminder that the new stocks of sweatshirts and ladies briefs are now in stock. So why not call in the Souvenir Shop today, Penny would be delighted to serve you.



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ENGLAND SOLD ON THE BOX

For months Wembley Stadium and the Football Association tried to sell England's home game against little Luxembourg in the European Championship, but the soccer going public just remained disinterested. Even advertisements in the national press failed to kindle any passion for the game, and by the beginning of December only 20,000 tickets had been sold.

Perhaps the timing of the fixture — December 15th — was a little wrong. For although the posters proudly proclaimed "Christmas-time football!" everyone in the game will tell you that the two weeks leading up to the festivities is traditionally the worst in the soccer calendar for attendances. And indeed some clubs would favour a three week break at this time, never mind staging extra fixtures.

Anyway the Football Association decided that the best way of boosting interest in the game was to sell it on television and so they did, screening an advertisement in the London region only.

The FA certainly couldn't have chosen a tougher challenge. Luxembourg are one of the weakest and least attractive international sides in Europe although the previous time they appeared in England was in a crucial World Cup qualifying match in March 1977, when 81,000 turned out to see England win 5-0, with goals from Kevin Keegan, Trevor Francis, Ray Kennedy and Mick Channon, who scored twice, once from the penalty spot.

The man who tried to stimulate public interest through the medium of the

advertisement was none other than the England team manager Bobby Robson, whose job it was to motivate the players. It had been planned in advance to use Robson as one Wembley official pointed out: "We wanted to focus on the managers personality. There is a great family atmosphere in the England team and he puts it across well. In fact he is going to write a regular column in the programme in future."

There was a certain simplicity about his message which went: "This is Bobby Robson calling football fans. Come and see England play Luxembourg in the European Championship at Wembley on the 15th December."

The FA declined to comment on how much the publicity campaign, which also included radio advertising, cost them, or for that matter how many fans they hoped it would attract to Wembley, but they clearly anticipated boosting the attendance to over 50,000.

But the whole campaign although directed on a regional basis could have wider implications. When the football club chairmen met at their last save our football seminar one of the ideas to emerge from the smoke filled discussions was to advertise the game on TV in order to woo back the fans. The fact that they did not embark on their planned campaign was purely because it proved too costly.

The League clubs shelved it for another day although there are those who believe that football should be marketed by modern methods, which in this case is via the small screen.



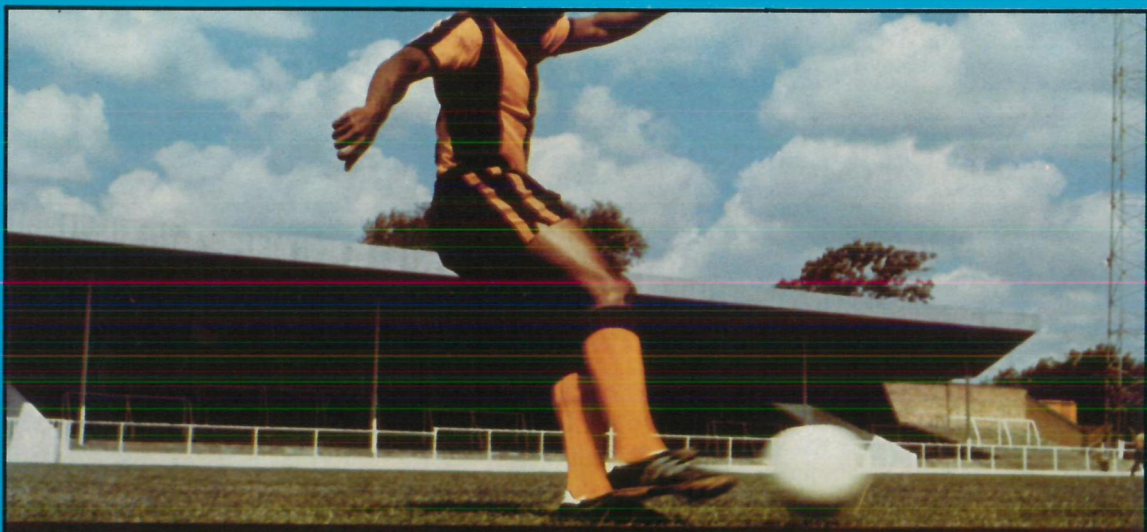
England boss Bobby Robson

But before everyone thinks again it must be said that TV advertising is not a new venture for League clubs. Indeed Cambridge United, then a Fourth Division club with ambition, decided to advertise their matches at the beginning of the 1974-75 season on Anglia Television.

The minimum package was for four games and the first commercial advertised the game against Chester. The attendance was 2,763, just 54 fewer than the previous fixture against Workington.

The other games covered by the advertising campaign were those with Mansfield, Hartlepool and Shrewsbury and the total aggregate attendance for the four matches was 11,816. That was an average of 2,954 — lower than the 3,021 average for the whole season.

Of course Fourth Division football and international football are miles apart but it does seem that advertising on the box has little effect on actual attendances. . . . Let's face it the game could not get much more publicity than it does now, practically filling the back pages of the national press every day. The problem for football is not one of advertising the game, but producing the right product in the right conditions at the right time.



Cambridge United v Chester
at home Tuesday 3rd Sept ko 7-30 pm

One of the slides used in Cambridge United's TV campaign. Do you recognise the player? It's none other than Brendon Batson — now with W.B.A.

Brian-King of Norway

Like many, who were forced to give up football through injury, goal keeper Brian King turned to coaching. The injury was sustained in an away match for Coventry City against Wolverhampton Wanderers when Brian came out for a cross and collided with his colleague Larry Lloyd and Wolves' Steve Kindon and the other two players fell on Brian's outstretched leg as they all crashed to the turf.

He snapped the medial ligament and dislocated the kneecap but after a couple of operations and eighteen month's rehabilitation, he broke down again and was advised to give up the game.

He recalls "I got involved with coaching when at Millwall and Coventry particularly with the Youth Teams. The Coaching softened the blow of the injury which terminated my playing career and although you can never really get over not being able to play again, as it is always with you, at least I am still involved and really the involvement is the most important thing.

"As I always wanted to be a coach after I had stopped playing, I took my chance when offered a post in Norway with F.K. Jerv with whom I was for two years, before moving on to Harstad in the north of the country. Lately I have joined a club called Tynset Idrettsforening which like many clubs on the continent caters for other sports as well as football, the sports being tennis, swimming, handball and even skiing bearing in mind the weather."

Brian King joined many English coaches who have gone out to Norway and these include George Armstrong, Chris Lawler, Tony Knapp, Ian Crawford, Denis Burnett and of course Martin Chivers who has recently returned to play for non-league Alliance Club, Barnet.

The connection with English coaches was really set on the map some 10 years ago when George Curtis, the former Southampton player of yesteryear and one of the top coaches in this country, became the National Team Manager in

Norway and the links were well and truly forged.

ENGLAND BEATEN

As we know, Norwegian football is progressing rapidly even though it is amateur and they have had extremely good results in the international field including of course beating England last year.

The Country's football consists of one First Division, two Second Divisions being North and South and six third Divisions all regionalised.

As Brian King points out "there is not a large population even though it is a large country. Spectatorship is keen and we had at Jerv an average of some 1,900 spectators out of a population in the town of some 6,500. At Harstad the average gates were 2,500 to 3,000 which was also a good ratio to the town's population.

"The people are all very friendly and work hard to get to know you. They respect the English people, frequently speak English and generally try to make the visitor welcome. Furthermore they know a lot about our football as they see it on their televisions each week."

Clearly, coaching in a foreign country is difficult for a host of reasons and as Brian King points out Norway differs from other countries because as he states "it is still completely amateur whilst other Scandinavian countries such as Denmark and Sweden are part time professional.

"The amateurism creates the problem of getting the players to come together when you want them. As a coach and manager I can ask them to be available for sessions but if they are delayed at work, called into the Army or are simply kept late at college or school, it makes life very difficult.

"One cannot fine them for not appearing as they are only playing for enjoyment."

LOPSIDED

"The weather also plays an important part in football since the playing surfaces of the pitches are

unfortunately not of a high standard owing to the extremes of weather. The west coast does not suffer so badly with difficult winters but in the main it's not possible to grow very much grass on the pitches.

"The snow comes in October and leaves in April and the matches are therefore played between April and the following October.

"As a result what with the snow on the one hand and the need to play on the other, growth or preparation for strengthening of grass is limited. The weather also tends to create a lopsided pattern for training and playing since pre-season work is done on ice and snow, but the season is played when they have gone and it's clearly a strange contrast to prepare on a surface the like of which you do not encounter during the playing season.

"When the pitches are icy or snowy or for training in those conditions the players use a small ice-pick stud which has exactly the same effect as a leather stud on lush grass.

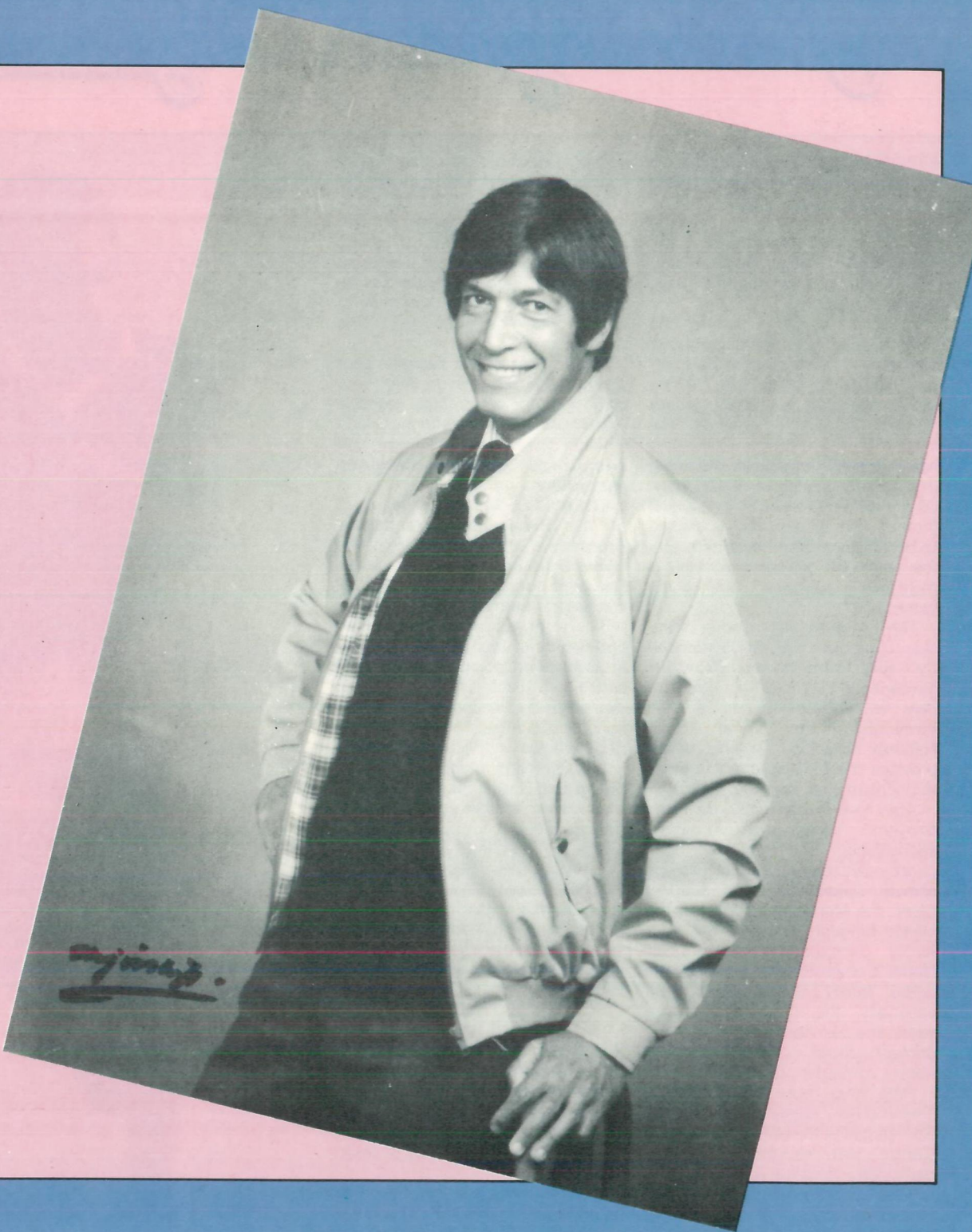
"Most matches are played on a Sunday with a 5 o'clock kick off to encourage more spectatorship as the people tend to get out in the afternoons when the weather is fine.

"During the close season, I often bring teams to England to either train or play and we have had matches in the recent past with Arsenal, Crystal Palace and West Ham".

Although Brian King professes a desire to eventually return to English Soccer as a coach, he is still enjoying football in Norway which he eventually thinks will have to turn professional.

He remains a true sporting ambassador and a popular person in a friendly country. Certainly with the numbers of players ending their careers and wanting to turn to coaching but not having the opportunities in this country, Brian King's experiences point an interesting way to a future for the enthusiastic and idealistic coaches.

KEN GOLDMAN



Brian-King of Norway

Birmingham City

BIRMINGHAM CITY hope to cast off the blues of being at the wrong end of the First Division table when they line up with Arsenal, Everton, Ipswich Town, Manchester City, Nottingham Forest, Southampton and Swansea City for the Atari Soccer Six Trophy.

Atari — the world's number one video games and home computer company — have backed the Football League to bring this exciting soccer spectacle to Britain. Indoor football in North America has exploded onto the scene and they have organised leagues attracting regular attendances of 15,000 plus. Of course in America it is not just football. The whole event is tailored to hectic action from the entrance of the teams — which is sometimes more like a pantomime act, to the game itself.

The League's first national six-a-side tournament will not be attended by quite the same show-biz atmosphere, but they still expect to play to packed houses at the Birmingham International Arena, National Exhibition Centre, which provides the biggest indoor football tournament ever staged in Britain.

Atari have invested £60,000 in the project, their biggest ever sponsorship, but why did they choose this soccer tournament? The answer comes from Mr. Graham Clark, the Managing Director of the United Kingdom branch: "We are a family orientated company. Our Home Computers are aimed at the entire family (Dad, Mum, and especially the children) because within the next couple of years every primary school in the country will have a computer on its staff.

"We were most impressed with The Football League's pilot "Soccer Six" staged at the National Exhibition Centre last season. We were particularly pleased it provided a spectacle that the whole family could enjoy together, just as they can our home computers and video games".

Soccer Six is, of course, the new game of indoor football invented by The Football League, after extensive

market research, with the family audience in mind. As part of the campaign to encourage family participation, Atari will be staging a major exhibition at the N.E.C. where spectators will be able to play Atari Video Games free. There will also be the opportunity for all the family to test the whole range of Atari Home Computers.

The success of last season's pilot scheme was not lost on Atari who plan product prizes and product-linked consumer competitions to add an extra dimension to the event, and encourage greater audience participation.

The Atari Soccer Six will be played at the Birmingham International Arena, on a pitch half the size of the conventional outdoor football format. The game contains, and demands, all the skills of normal soccer.

The eight teams are divided into two groups of four with the top two in each group going into knock-out semi-finals. Each of the matches, except for the final, will consist of 15 minutes of non-stop action. The final is 20 minutes.

Mr. Graham Clark adds: "We believe that Soccer Six could become the indoor football game of the future, and the future is what our company, Atari, is all about".

Graham Kelly, Secretary of The Football League, says: "The League is certain that it is on a winner with Soccer Six. With Atari's involvement, we can make quite sure that this will be an event unique in British Soccer History".

ALL THAT . . . AND SIN BINS, TOO

Soccer Six is the indoor game that has everything the outdoor game possesses, except offside, plus sin-bin. The sin-bin is there because justice must be instant. Suspensions only help the sinner's next opponents.

But although the name of the game is Soccer Six it is really six-a-side on the field, played between two teams of ten because substitutes are allowed to come on and off as the team manager dictates. There is a



Six of the Best

JOHN NOLAN



City Central Defender Noel Blake.

perfectly valid reason for this. At the speed at which the game is played five minutes is enough to render any player breathless.

There isn't any offside, because it would slow down the game, but a minimum of one player must remain within the opposing team's half from within five seconds of the game being started, or re-started.

There are scoring zones at each end of the pitch and goals can only be scored from within those areas. But the ball cannot be played directly from one scoring area to the other. There is an area 30 feet either side of the half-way line in which the ball must bounce or be played by another player.

There is no restriction on the height at which the ball can be played, and Soccer Six stops only when a player puts the ball over the perimeter fence. The sequel is a corner, throw-in, or a goal-kick which, in Soccer Six, is a goalkeeper's throw. But any player who 'uses the crowd' to waste time risks two minutes in the sin-bin, and all for nothing because a timekeeper, on instruction from the referee, adds time on. And obviously, there is no substitute on while a player is in the sin-bin.

THE PITCH

The matches are played on artificial Poligras. The playing area at the N.E.C. is 200ft by 90ft, about half the size of the usual outdoor area, and is surrounded by curved flexiglass to

allow for high passing of the ball and unimpeded spectator viewing.

THE SPECTATORS

There is room for 7,600 at each session, and they can enjoy themselves in warm, dry surroundings and in an atmosphere specially tailored to the family audience. The latter are also entertained by a host of other attractions including marching bands, competitions and facilities for acquiring autographs.

Birmingham City won last years pilot scheme which was described by Mr. Terry Golding, the Chief Executive of the N.E.C., as "one of the most spectacular events in which we have been involved."

It certainly went down a treat with the fans and the players participating as well and Graham Kelly enthuses: "Soccer-Six generates excitement and entertainment, and retains the best skills of the outdoor game. We feel sure that this is the game that gives the fans what they want."

With television coverage Atari should also get good value for money during the two day event. On the first night eight league matches will be completed and on the second night, the remaining four league games plus the two semi-finals and the Grand Final will provide the programme.

With this format each team plays two games on the first night and at least once on the second night, so maintaining the interest of all supporters, no matter which is their favourite team.

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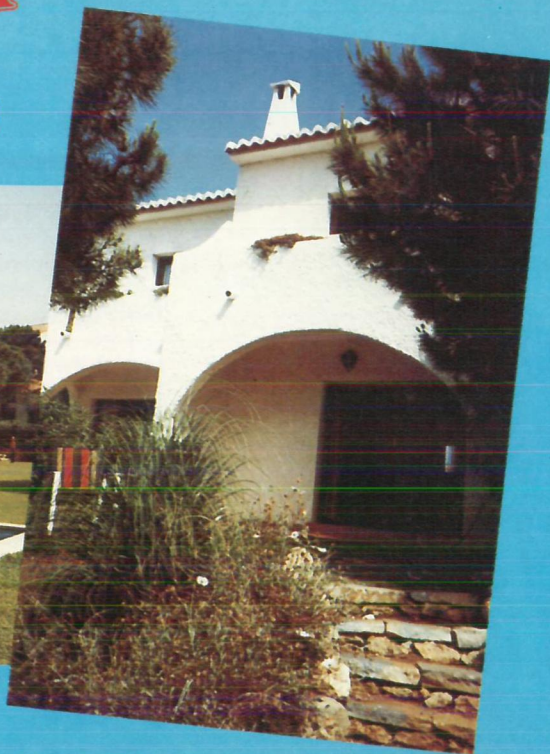
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BRADLEY'S BRIEF

Ray Bradley of the
'Sunday Express'
writes for you



The Liverpool bookie who went bust in 1977 complained ruefully: "Don't blame me, blame the punters. They backed Liverpool to win everything but the Boat Race. Aye, they would have won that too, but Thank God they're not eligible."

Bookies are not betting men. This shrewd Lancashire lad decided to move back to Bolton where he has since recouped his losses — taking bets on Everton!

Only half a mile across Stanley Park separates these two Merseyside soccer citidels, but it must seem like the Swiss Alps as any Everton manager will tell you to measure the difference in stature and achievement.

Liverpool have cast a giant shadow across Stanley Park that has dwarfed every Everton deed. In the last ten years Anfield has become an Alladin's Cave glittering with silverware while the Goodison cupboard remains pitifully bare.

As Gordon Lee once conceded when he sat in the Goodison chair: "This is the toughest job in football. Liverpool are a mountain and we

have to try and top them every week."

Howard Kendall, his successor, is equally frank on the point of comparisons. Pressed on the pressures of being Everton's boss, he conceded with a chuckle: "You live or die by your results. It's that easy."

Liverpool's record since they returned to the First Division is phenomenal by any standard and unique in British Football.

Their achievements need no embellishing by me. I have no wish to embarrass Everton and my good pal Howie Kendall who is still tortured by the nightmare of a 5-0 derby defeat at Goodison all too recently.

The Liverpool legend grows and they are once again Red-hot favourites to lift the championship for the sixth time in eight years.

That would be sweet reward for manager Bob Paisley the Mersey maestro who bows out of soccer at the end of the season after giving 43 years of devotion to a club he has served nobly as player, trainer,

physiotherapist and assistant manager before taking over as Bill Shankly's successor... and topping up the Liverpool legend by winning the European Cup three times.

A genial 63-year-old Geordie, Paisley likes to spread a cloak of calm around him and talk of practicalities when his team is being praised to the skies.

He recently chastised the Press for proclaiming his team as "supermen" after they had lost to Norwich at Carrow Road — a defeat that shook the soccer world and ruffled a few managerial colleagues who were predicting another clean sweep for the men from Anfield.

Paisley is a man who likes to keep the temperatures down when the pulses are racing around him. Throughout his marvellous reign at Anfield he has continually stressed there is no room for complacency.

L-e-e-v-e-r-p-o-o-l may well remain the most powerful machine in British football: a precision standard to be equalled in an age of technical mediocrity, but even a Rolls Royce has to be serviced and oiled by industry.

As an ace mechanic Bob Paisley knows nothing must be left to chance: the race is for all, the top prize is for the first past the finishing line.

No amount of Rasputin rhapsody or media rhetoric will deflect him from that course. When the chips are down Paisley has to play his hand as he sees fit. Bob is no bluffer, knows he holds all the aces and he will not be deceived by false flattery.

Like all good card players he is a poker-faced opponent who likes to produce the trump... even when faced with a full house at Anfield.



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Justin Fashanu, the £1 million misfit discarded by Nottingham Forest for a mere pittance, kept neighbours Notts County waiting for his decision to join them. The problem was that County could not come anywhere near matching Justin's reported £900 a week salary. In the end he decided to take a drastic cut so that he could step across the Trent and start rebuilding his shattered playing career.

But the England Under-21 striker is by no means the highest paid player in the Football League. Indeed players have come a long long way since the days of the £20 maximum wage which shackled the likes of Stanley Matthews, Tom Finney and Nat Lofthouse to the same financial recompence as their team mates.

Star quality meant nothing in the way of rewards in those days, even though those players were probably responsible for enticing the majority of fans through the turnstiles.

Today the clock has turned and many believe that some of our better off soccer stars are grossly overpaid. In some instances that could well be true but although a £1,000 a week pay packet in the First Division is pretty common these days, in terms of sports super stars in other fields and even in football in other countries, the English stars are well down the scale in earning power.

To those unfortunate enough to be joining the dole queues it might seem insensitive to talk on these lines but as you will have read on a previous page in this magazine, Belgian international Francois van der Elst — now with West Ham United — was earning far more dough with the New York Cosmos than he could ever hope to pick up in Europe.

Indeed North American sports stars can literally earn a fortune and the biggest dollar-earner on the soccer circuit in the USA is Georgio Chinaglia, whose annual salary with the New York Cosmos is in the region of £190,000 a year.

That sort of money makes Britain's soccer stars look hungry because in sporting circles in the States it is only chicken feed.

Take Wayne Gretzky, the blue eyed boy of ice hockey. His contract guarantees him £550,000 a year, which is about the same as Magic Johnson — rated the greatest ever basketball player. He is on the same sort of money but incredibly was handed a 25-year contract.

American football stars also earn a mint and recently went on strike to claim even more of the goodies. But baseball hands out the biggest prizes and Gary Carter from Los Angeles picks up a cool £1 million a year.

And these figures only cover the players earnings from their employees. Most of them more than double their income with commercial activities outside their respective sports . . . advertising and endorsing products.

Yes English sporting heroes are a long way short of those big pay days.



Georgio Chinaglia earns big money with New York Cosmos



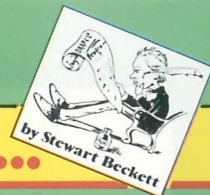
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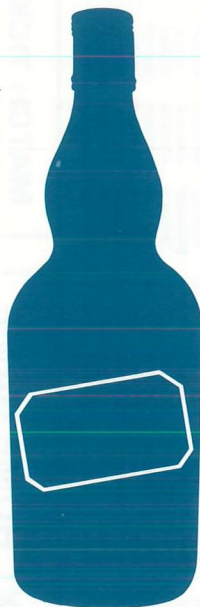
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	11	Queens Park Rangers	4,266	0-1	5	13	Goram	Sinclair	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough†	Atkinson	Steel	Bowden	Palmer ¹	Hoolekin
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	Oct.	Middlesbrough	5,635	1-1	10	12	Goram	Sinclair	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Steel†	Wyde	Palmer ²	Bowden
	9	Newcastle United	11,491	2-2	11	13	Goram	Sinclair	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton ¹	Wyde	Palmer ²	Bowden
	16	Crystal Palace	6,643	0-1	11	15	Goram	Sinclair	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton ¹	Wyde	Palmer ²	Bowden
Wings Holidays	23	Carlisle United	4,211	4-3	14	12	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan ¹	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton ¹	Wyde	Palmer ²	Clements
	30	Burnley	7,197	2-1	17	9	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton ¹	Wyde	Palmer ²	Bowden
	Nov.	Fulham	6,897	3-0	20	7	Goram	Edwards	Ryan ¹	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton ¹	Wyde	Palmer ²	Humphreys
	13	Wolverhampton W.	7,962	4-1	23	6	Goram	Edwards	Ryan	Bowden	Hoolekin	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	20	Derby County	11,775	2-2	24	6	Goram	Edwards†	Ryan	Bowden	Hoolekin	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	Dec.	Grimsby Town	5,508	1-1	25	5	Goram	Edwards	Ryan	Bowden	Hoolekin	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	27	Sheffield Wednesday	15,096	1-1	26	7	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	27	Cambridge United	7,127	3-0	29	5	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	18	Leicester City	8,125	1-2	29	5	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	26	Leeds United	14,924	2-2	30	5	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
The Martin Group Willoughbys	Jan.	Blackburn Rovers	10,121	2-2	31	7	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	3	Derby County	7,085	2-2	32	8	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	10	Barnsley	8,582	1-1	33	8	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Keegan
	15	Shrewsbury Town	4,630	0-0	34	8	Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	22	Soliton Wanderers					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	29	Rotherham United					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	Feb.	Queens Park Rangers					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	12	Middlesbrough					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	19	Newcastle United					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	26	Crystal Palace					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
Smirnoff Vodka	Mar.	Carlisle United					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	5	Burnley					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	12	Fulham					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	19	Wolverhampton W.					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	April	Blackburn Rovers					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	26	Leeds United					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	9	Chelsea					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	16	Charlton Athletic					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	23	Sheffield Wednesday					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	30	Grimsby Town					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
Queen Anne Whisky Elan Textiles	May	Leicester City					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	7	Cambridge United					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	14	Cambridge United					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
	21	FA Cup Final					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer ²	Hudson
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CUP FIXTURES AND RESULTS	Oct.	Gillingham	4,070	0-2	—		Goram	Sinclair	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Bowden	Wyde	Palmer	Hoolekin
	5	Milk Cup 2nd Rd 1st Leg					Goram	Sinclair	Ryan	Keegan	Clements	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Bowden	Wyde	Palmer	Hoolekin
	26	Gillingham	3,302	1-0	—		Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Edwards	Futcher	McDonough ¹	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde†	Palmer	Humphreys
	Jan.	Milk Cup 2nd Rd 2nd Leg					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Edwards	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer	Humphreys
	8	Fulham	8,087	0-2	—		Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Edwards	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer	Keegan
		F.A. Cup 3rd Round					Goram	Hoolekin	Ryan	Bowden	Edwards	Futcher	McDonough	Atkinson	Heaton	Wyde	Palmer	Keegan
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MATCH TICKET NEWS

Oldham Athletic
v Middlesbrough
Saturday, 12th February,
Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Tickets for this game will be on sale
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CARLSLE
Saturday 23rd Oct.
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LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

(Up to and including Saturday 15th January 1983)

	HOME			GOALS			AWAY			GOALS			Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
Wolverhampton W.	24	10	0	2	31	9	5	5	5	2	17	13	50
Queens Park Rangers	24	8	2	2	24	10	6	2	4	13	12	46	
Fulham	24	7	3	2	22	15	6	2	4	24	17	44	
Sheffield Wednesday	24	6	4	2	23	15	4	3	5	16	17	37	
Leicester City	24	6	1	5	19	10	2	5	2	5	22	17	36
Shrewsbury Town	24	5	4	3	11	9	5	2	5	19	21	35	
Leeds United	24	5	5	2	15	10	3	6	3	12	14	36	
Oldham	24	4	7	1	23	16	3	6	3	16	15	34	
Barnsley	24	5	6	3	2	23	13	4	5	12	15	34	
Grimsey Town	24	5	3	4	13	13	3	1	8	11	28	34	
Rotherham United	24	5	3	4	13	13	3	5	4	15	19	32	
Chelsea	24	6	5	1	22	8	2	8	9	21	31		
Blackburn Rovers	24	5	5	2	24	15	3	2	7	12	22	31	
Newcastle United	24	5	5	2	17	13	2	4	6	17	23	30	
Crystal Palace	24	6	5	1	19	10	1	4	7	8	19	30	
Carlisle United	24	7	1	4	29	20	1	4	7	16	27	29	
Bolton Wanderers	24	7	1	4	21	15	0	6	6	6	16	28	
Charlton Athletic	24	6	1	5	20	20	2	6	3	16	30	28	
Middlesbrough	24	4	4	4	15	22	2	6	4	13	21	28	
Cambridge United	24	6	4	2	18	13	0	2	10	7	27	24	
Burnley	24	4	3	5	19	17	1	1	10	13	29	19	
Derby County	24	3	5	4	14	17	0	5	7	10	22	19	

CENTRAL LEAGUE

31st Aug.	Notts Forest	1-0
14th Sept.	Notts County	1-1
28th Sept.	Manchester City	1-6
12th Oct.	Wigan	4-1
19th Oct.	Rotherham Utd.	1-1
10th Nov.	Sunderland	Postponed
16th Nov.	Bolton W.	1-3
24th Nov.	Port Vale	3-1
30th Nov.	Barnsley	Postponed
7th Dec.	Middlesbrough	Postponed
14th Dec.	Burnley	1-2
22nd Dec.	Preston N.E.	2-3
12th Jan.	Nottingham Forest	0-3
18th Jan.	Derby County	H
25th Jan.	Chesterfield	H
1st Feb.	Bradford City	A
8th Feb.	Sunderland	H
15th Feb.	Notts County	A
22nd Feb.	Wigan	A
1st March	Manchester City	H
8th March	Derby County	H
15th March	Chesterfield	H
22nd Mar.	Bradford City	H
29th March	Port Vale	H
6th April	Bolton Wanderers	A
12th April	Middlesbrough	H
20th April	Barnsley	A
26th April	Preston N.E.	H
3rd May	Burnley	A
17th May	Rotherham United	A

HALF-TIME SCOREBOARD

- Burnley v Barnsley
- Cambridge v Rotherham
- Crystal Palace v Q.P.R.
- Derby v Leeds
- Fulham v Middlesbrough
- Grimsey v Charlton
- Leicester v Blackburn
- Newcastle v Shrewsbury
- Sheff. Weds. v Carlisle
- Wolves v Chelsea

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS SEASON 1982/83

Name	League Appearances	League Goals Scored
Atkinson P.G.	24	3
Bowden J.	14 + 6 (sub)	2
Clements K.H.	19 + 2 (sub)	—
Edwards S.G.	5	—
Fletcher P.	24	—
Goram A.L.	20	—
Heaton P.J.	19	3
Hodges M.J.	4	—
Hoolickin G.J.	15 + 2 (sub)	—
Hudson C.J.	1 (sub)	—
Humphreys J.F.	2 + 1 (sub)	—
Keegan G.A.	12 + 10 (sub)	—
McDonough D.K.	20	3
Palmer R.N.	24	9
Ryan J.B.	24	7
Sinclair N.J.T.	10	—
Steel W.J.	6 + 1 (sub)	—
Wyde R.	22 + 1 (sub)	12

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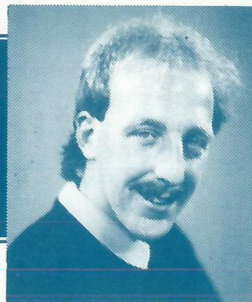
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Miss Holmes has been Foxdenton's faithful secretary since the start of this season, and fortunately has not been called into any serious action on the field of play so far.

The only other female secretary in the Oldham Sunday League is Mary Dando of Smallbrook.

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As the Ashton Sunday League gears itself towards Silver Jubilee celebrations in around a years time, clubs and officials have been rocked by the death of the league's founder, Mr. T. A. Randall.

When the celebrations of 25 years in existence do get under way, Mr. Randall's absence will be remembered, just as it was at the last league meeting when a period of silence was observed as a mark of respect.

Ashton Sunday League chairman Jim Bennett remarked: "Mr Randall would have played a big part in our Silver Jubilee; his death is a great loss to the league."

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Further details of a charity soccer game involving players from Liverpool and Manchester City to be staged in this area will be given in the next matchday programme in this column.

Supporters Association News

Shrewsbury Town 4 Oldham Athletic 3

In a match played in poor conditions of a muddy pitch and strong wind Athletic fought back to nearly earn a draw in this match of two halves. Shrewsbury lead 4-0 at half-time after playing down the slope with the wind at their backs. The second half however was dominated by Athletic who pulled back three goals and came close to equalising. The first goal came when a Paul Dixon corner was met by Paul Whitehead, who steered a header into the net. Five minutes later a clearance out of the Shrewsbury area was met by Paul Dixon who gave the keeper no chance with a first time left foot shot. Athletic's third goal came when Carl Lonsdale was brought down in the area and Paul Whitehead scored from the penalty spot.

League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Sheffield Wed.	7	7	0	0	40	4	14
Chelsea	5	5	0	0	26	5	10
Blackburn Rovers	5	3	0	2	30	13	6
Shrewsbury	5	3	0	2	12	11	6
Oldham	7	3	0	4	20	26	6
Wolves	2	0	0	2	1	11	0
Derby County	3	0	0	3	3	21	0
Watford	8	0	0	8	9	50	0

Sportsmanship Table

Watford	73	** 5pts deducted for a player sent off.
Oldham	55*	
Sheffield	51**	
Chelsea	49	
Blackburn	46	
Shrewsbury	46	
Wolves	19	
Derby County	18*	

* 1 game to be added

Annual 5-A-Side Tournament

There are still a few places left in the tournament to be held on the 13th and 20th March in the Sports Hall. Anyone who is interested in entering a team, should fill in the application form below and return it together with the entry fee of £12 to The Secretary, Oldham Athletic Supporters Association, Boundary Park, Oldham. Applications are being treated on a first come first served basis, so if you wish to enter a team please hurry up and send in your application as soon as possible and before 31st January, 1983 which is the closing date.

Oldham Athletic Supporters Association 5-a-side Tournament

ENTRY FORM

I wish to enter my team in the above tournament to be held on the 13th and 20th March, 1983. I enclose the entry fee of £12 per team and would be grateful if you would send all correspondence to the person whose name and address is given below.

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TEAM LINE UP



ATHLETIC

Andy Goram	1
Gary Hoolickin	2
Steve Edwards	3
Ged Keegan	4
Kenny Clements	5
Paul Futchner	6
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He is a married man, with three children, and works as a Toolmaker. His main interest — apart from football — is Crown Green bowling.



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